### NEVADA LIBRARY Q&A/CHECK-IN

10 am, Tuesday, April 21, 2020

with Tammy Westergard,

Nevada State Library, Archives & Public Records Administrator

#### Tuesday @ 10 - Intentions



to promote unity, fraternity, and help build resilience



to debrief and share



to assist in the response phase and start the recovery phase.



to learn and be better prepared

#### Agenda

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Reopening Guidelines

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**NV Schools** 

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CARES Act

O4 Check-in

# Reopening Guidelines: Grocery Store Model

High Risk hours

Patron Capacity Limits

Cleaning & Disinfecting

Social distancing signage

Staff/Patron Health & Safety (disinfecting, protective barriers, masks)

#### Re-Opening: Not "When?" but "How?"\*

By Cass Balzer, American Libraries, April 17, 2020

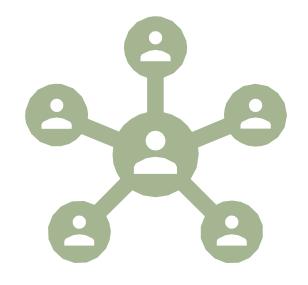
#### **Key points:**

- Flexibility many factors are outside a library's control
- Psychological fallout for both patrons and library staff. "Patrons will need to feel comfortable visiting public spaces, while staff will need to adapt to a new way of working."
- "Retraining the community about how the library is used is going to be really difficult, but expecting staff to enforce these limitations is going to be really challenging...We're a library, and we want to give people everything we possibly can, but that's just not something that seems possible in the immediate future."

#### Re-opening & In-person programming

- Most likely a gradual process
- Future stay-at-home directives
- NSLAPR will coordinate with NLA and NV library leadership to establish guidelines





### NEVADA SCHOOLS- UPDATES

Connectivity & Access for Students

#### IMLS CARES Act, Federal Year 2020 NV allotment: \$278,318

Public Law 116-136 provides that this funding, available until September 30, 2021, is for the following purposes:

- To prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
- To expand digital network access, purchase internet accessible devices, and provide technical support services

In order to achieve the Act's purposes with respect to Grants to States, this funding is to be used as follows:

- Primarily to address digital inclusion and related technical support, using the following types of data to inform targeted efforts:
  - Poverty/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
  - Unemployment
  - Broadband availability;
- 2. Secondarily to address other efforts that prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; and
- With respect to (1) or (2), reach museum and tribal partners, in addition to traditionally eligible library entities, where appropriate.



#### **CHECK-IN**

Comments, concerns, observations?

#### Nevada State Library Covid-19 toolkit





Updated weekly – with your input Tuesday Meeting Notes & Slides are here https://nsla.nv.gov/COVID19/librarians

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